# EQUALITY IN PREVENTION AND SERVICES FOR DOMESTIC ABUSE PROGRAM Component: 50.20.906, 40.20.906

#### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW:**

The Equality in Prevention and Services for Domestic Abuse (EPSDA) Program is a targeted grant program for the development and support of Domestic Violence (DV) programs and services for the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) community pursuant to California Penal Code §13823.17. Assembly Bill 2051, Cohn, Chapter 856, Statutes of 2006 provided the program guidelines. Funding for this program did not occur until the Budget Act of 2007 which allocated approximately \$300,000 for a total of four grant awards each receiving \$75,000 in fiscal year (FY) 2007/08.

The purpose of this program is to provide local assistance to existing service providers to maintain and/or expand services to GLBT victims of domestic violence and their children. In addition, the goal of this program is to raise awareness of DV as it pertains to same sex couples and their ability to access services. This program provides the following services: 24-hour crisis hotline, crisis counseling, emergency shelter, court and social service advocacy, legal assistance with restraining orders and custody disputes.

### **FUNDS AWARDED**

Fiscal Year	Types of Funding	Total Funding
FY 2008/09	Restitution Funds	\$ 400,000
FY 2009/10	Equality in Prevention & Services for Domestic Abuse (EPSDA) FY 2009	\$ 120,000
	Violence Against Women Act - American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (see Tab 8)	\$ 400,000
FY 2010/11		Unknown

#### 2007- 2009 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS\*

- Twenty-four hour crisis line calls received.

  Number of GLBT DV Victims receiving counseling services.

  Total individual counseling services provided.

  Number of GLBT DV victims receiving group counseling.

  Total group counseling services provided.

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  Total number of GLBT DV victims referred for individual counseling.

  Number of GLBT DV victims provided social service advocacy.
- Number of GLBT DV victims provided court accompaniment.
- 98 Number of DV victims provided legal assistance.

<u>172</u>	Number of collaborative meetings attended by staff.
<u>5119</u>	Number of GLBT DV victims receiving community resource and referrals.
<u>95</u>	Number of DV victims provided with household establishment assistance.
<u>24</u>	Number of GLBT DV victims sheltered.
<u>2</u>	Number of GLBT DV victims referred for shelter outside of DV project.
<u>517</u>	Number of shelter nights (bed nights).

<sup>\*</sup>This program started late in FY 07/08 and was augmented in FY 08/09, these statistics are representative of the two fiscal years combined.

Number of Education Workshops conducted by staff of DV Project.

## 2009/10 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS

Not Available

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## 2010/11 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS

Not Available